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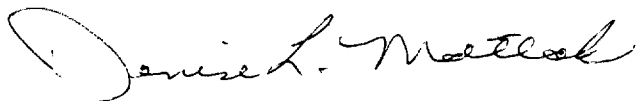
RE: Docket Numbers: 98N-1230, 96P-0418, 97P-0197

I am writing to request that the **FDA use its power to prohibit and make illegal, the forced molting of chickens.** Forced molting destroys the starving chickens' immune systems which promotes disease. Forced molting is cruel and a major cause of infectious diseases in the hens and their eggs.

In April 1998, the FDA was petitioned to ban forced molting. Please **put the ban in place immediately.**

Cruelty and Contamination are Connected

Sincerely,

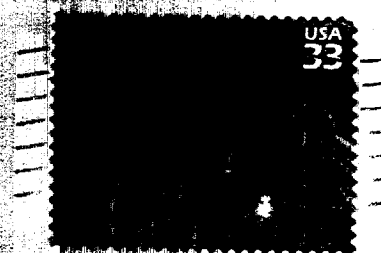
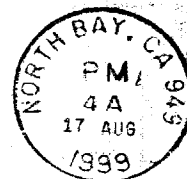


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